

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1213

By McDaniel

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Natalie Hope Olds, 2018 Valedictorian of Providence Academy.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Natalie Hope Olds is one such exceptional student, who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2018 graduating class at Providence Academy; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Ms. Olds has achieved outstanding academic success and joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Hope Olds earned an exemplary grade point average while participating in numerous extracurricular activities; and

WHEREAS, she participated in the Tennessee Governor's School for Scientific Models and Data Analysis, Lipscomb University's Summer Scholars program, and the Johnson City Chamber of Commerce's 2016-2017 Youth Leadership 2020 program; and

WHEREAS, her display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success as a student at East Tennessee State University, where she has been selected to participate in the University Honors Scholars Program; and

WHEREAS, Hope Olds's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Dr. Shelby Olds and Michael Elswick, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Olds's selection as Valedictorian continues a family tradition, as her mother, Dr. Olds, was named Valedictorian of Perry County High School in 1992, and her grandmother, Gayle Duncan Gilmer, was named Valedictorian of Lobelville High School in 1961; and

WHEREAS, Hope Olds's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of the members of this General Assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we commend and honor the 2018 Providence Academy Valedictorian, Natalie Hope Olds, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.